

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 398

By Yager

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Bobby L. Collier of Kingston.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Bobby L. Collier of Kingston; and

WHEREAS, Bobby Collier was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a longtime resident of Roane County, Mr. Collier was a highly respected member of the Kingston community; and

WHEREAS, he was a graduate of Tennessee Technological University and a veteran of the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, Bobby Collier served with acumen and alacrity for thirty years at Bechtel Jacobs, earning the respect of his peers and supervisors alike for the superior quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Collier demonstrated his devotion to his community by serving in numerous roles, including as a member of the Roane County Commission, Cherokee Middle School Booster Club, Kingston Yellow Jacket Century Club, Kingston Jaycees, Tennessee Jaycees International, American Society of Safety Engineers, and Leadership Roane County; and

WHEREAS, he also served as president of the Tennessee County Services Association and the Kingston Babe Ruth League; he was a faithful member of American Legion Post 110, Masonic Lodge Union 38, Scottish Rite of Knoxville, and Shriner Temple of Knoxville; and

WHEREAS, he was the proud founder of Operation REACH (Roane Enriches Another Child's Holiday), a program that provides funds for needy children to shop for holiday gifts for their families; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Collier was an active and devout member of Kingston First Baptist Church, which he served faithfully for many years as an usher, and he also worked with the church's meals delivery program; and

WHEREAS, he was deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, he enjoyed the support and companionship of his wife, Peggy Eggert Collier, and was the proud father of one son, Robert (Shelley) Collier II; and the loving grandfather of four granddaughters, Katie, Sydney, Casey, and Britney; and

WHEREAS, Bobby Collier leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Bobby L. Collier, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.